

1939  
Cupola













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THE

1939

*Cupola*

PRESENTED BY THE

JUNIOR CLASS *of* ROCKFORD COLLEGE

MAY, 1938





With gratitude for tolerance and humor,  
with admiration for keenness of intellect  
and enthusiastic pursuit of truth, with  
appreciation for the sincerity that makes  
a cherished friend, the class of 1939  
dedicates this *Cupola* to Dr. Paul A.  
Palmer, professor of government and  
economics.

## DEDICATION



PAUL ARTHUR PALMER, Ph. D.

# Foreword

An ever growing interest in politics and government prompts a college community to adopt form and organization like that of a political body. With a few changes in terminologies, the similarity is apparent, and it is possible to present Rockford College as a unit of party politics.







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Administrators



The ideal of college government is self-government, with no laws except those that are self-imposed. At the bottom of the organization is the body of students and faculty who make up the College Government Association. Their elected representatives, the Board, work with the President and Dean of the college in formulating and administering policies and programs.





PRESIDENT MARY ASHBY CHEEK



DEAN MARY L. MUTSCHLER





Crowell, Mackey, Hess, Reitzel, Stewart, Smejkal, Peterson, Roach, Prippls, Ostlund, Wright, Myers, Drechsler, Starr, Pritchard, Bebensee, Johnson, Blane, Williams

President of the Association, Lillian Drechsler  
 President of the Judicial Council, Sally Roach  
 Secretary-treasurer, Martha Wright  
 College Government Historian, Elizabeth Peterson  
 College Song-leader, Mabel Ostlund

Faculty representative, Dr. A. Frances Johnson  
 Editor, PURPLE PARROT, Marguerite Myers  
 Senior class president, Jean Stewart  
 Junior class president, Virginia Crowell  
 Sophomore class president, Lois Pritchard  
 Freshman class president, Harriet Prippls  
 Tolo president, Lois Starr

Y.W.C.A. president, Romeyn Hess  
 Dramatic club president, Margaret Williams  
 Town Student association president, Betty Mackey  
 W.A.A. president, Jane Smejkal  
 Forum president, Jane Bebensee  
 House president, Marian Reitzel  
 Parliamentarian, Beatrice Blane

## COLLEGE GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD

Details of administration are left to minor elective councils and appointive officials, who represent certain divisions of college government. Interpretation of the laws and application of them to individual cases are provided for in a separate Judicial Council.



Stewart, Norton, Pritchard, Roach

'Virtue is free, and as a man honors or dishonors her, he will have more or less of her.'

## JUDICIAL COUNCIL





Crowell, Peacock, Spottswood, Stern, Kennedy, Bauer, Mackey, Floberg, Erikson, Maguire, Brandt

The year brings new rooms and ping pong to the sisters by day.

## TOWN STUDENT ASSOCIATION BOARD

## HOUSE PRESIDENTS

Keepers of the keys and speakers of the houses, dealing alike with foreign entanglements and domestic relations.

Warneke, Reitzel, Sherwood







Elmers, Norton, Niethammer, Cooper, Simon, Starr, Bradford, Miller, Cavanaugh, Kennedy, Blake

Contact with the world of men.

## TOLO COUNCIL

## Y. W. C. A. CABINET

Serving the need, providing the bill, and filling the calendar.

Williams, Simon, Belknap, Brigham, Schwab, Hess, Ostlund, Stern, Norton, Barrie





LORENA M. CHURCH, M.A.  
*Registrar*



FLORENCE SCHENCK, B.C.S.  
*Bursar*



JEAN M. SHARPE, M.A.  
*Librarian*



LILLIAN G. CHARD  
*Dietitian*



MILDRED KIMBALL, B.S.  
*Assistant Dietitian*



MABEL J. PETERSON  
*Secretary to the President*



MARION BONZI, M.A.  
*Assistant to the Dean*



ETHEL HAGGE, R.N.  
*College Nurse*



RUTH LATHROP, B.A.  
*Assistant Librarian*



MARGARET S. THOMPSON, B.A.  
*Maddox House Director*



HELEN RAE RUTLEDGE, B.A.  
*Alumnae Secretary*



ELEANOR DEGOLYER, B.A.  
*Director of Admissions*





Pressure Groups





The college political scene, like the national, is what it is largely because of the activities of pressure groups. These groups represent certain common interests and seek to mould policy directly or indirectly. The classroom is a powerful pressure group, in which professors, like party bosses, while interpreting administration policies to individuals, are leaders in forming a unified block of student opinion.



MARQUES E. REITZEL  
B.F.A., M.A.  
*Art*



ELIZABETH FAIRBANKS  
B.A.  
*Biology*



EVELYN I. FERNALD  
Ph.D.  
*Botany*

*Chemistry*  
Ph.D.

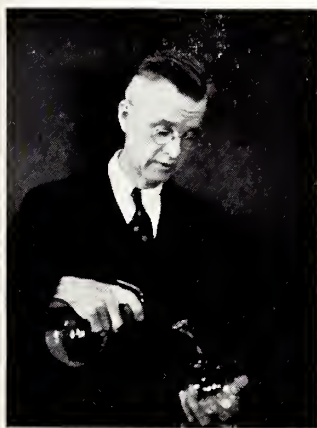
RAYMOND D. MULLINIX

*Chemistry*  
Ph.D.

DONNA PRICE

*Chemistry*  
M.S.

EDITHA UNDERHILL





JORDAN CAVAN  
Ph.D.  
*Education*



ABBIE F. POTTS  
Ph.D.  
*English*



LORENA CHURCH  
M.A.  
*English*

*English*  
Ph.D.  
MILDRED F. BERRY



*English*  
M.A.  
MARY L. MUTSCHLER



*English*  
B.Litt. (Oxon), Ph.D.  
PHYLLIS BARTLETT







IRENE SAMUEL  
M.A.  
*English*



JULIA D. INGERSOLL  
Docteur de l'Universite  
*French*



LUCILE BLACKFAN  
M.A.  
*French*

*French*  
M.A.

CLAIRE LEVEQUE QUANDT

*German*  
Ph.D.

HERBERT PENZL

*Government and Economics*  
Ph.D.

PAUL A. PALMER

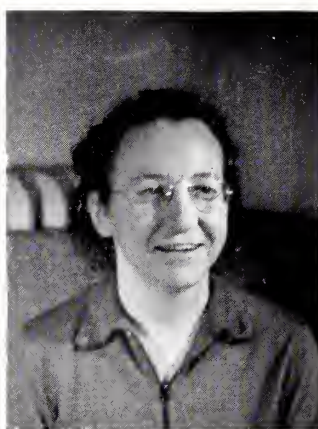




MARY BRAGINTON  
Ph.D.  
*Greek and Latin*



ELIZABETH P. BRUSH  
Ph.D.  
*History*



ISABEL R. ABBOTT  
M.A.  
*History*

*History*  
M.A.

MARION BONZI

*Home Economics*  
M.A.

LILLIAN WATKINS

*Home Economics*  
M.A.

MYRTLE DAVIDSON





MILDRED KIMBALL  
B.S.  
*Home Economics*



A. FRANCES JOHNSON  
Ph.D.  
*Mathematics and Physics*



MARTHA P. MCGAVOCK  
M.A.  
*Mathematics*

*Music*  
ANDREAS FUGMANN



*Music*  
MIZZI FUGMANN



*Music*  
LUDWIG SCHMIDT







STEPHEN B. L. PENROSE, JR.  
Ph.D.  
*Philosophy and Psychology*



IRENE CLAYTON  
M.S.  
*Physical Education*



HELEN WATT  
B.S.  
*Physical Education*

*Physical Education*  
B.S.  
RACHAEL MOMENT



*Religion*  
B.S., B.D., D.D.  
CHARLES R. GOFF



*Sociology*  
Ph.D.  
RUTH SHONLE CAVAN





MABEL L. STAUDINGER  
M.A.  
*Spanish*



DOROTHY RICHARDSON  
Ph.D.  
*Zoology*

## STUDENT-FACULTY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

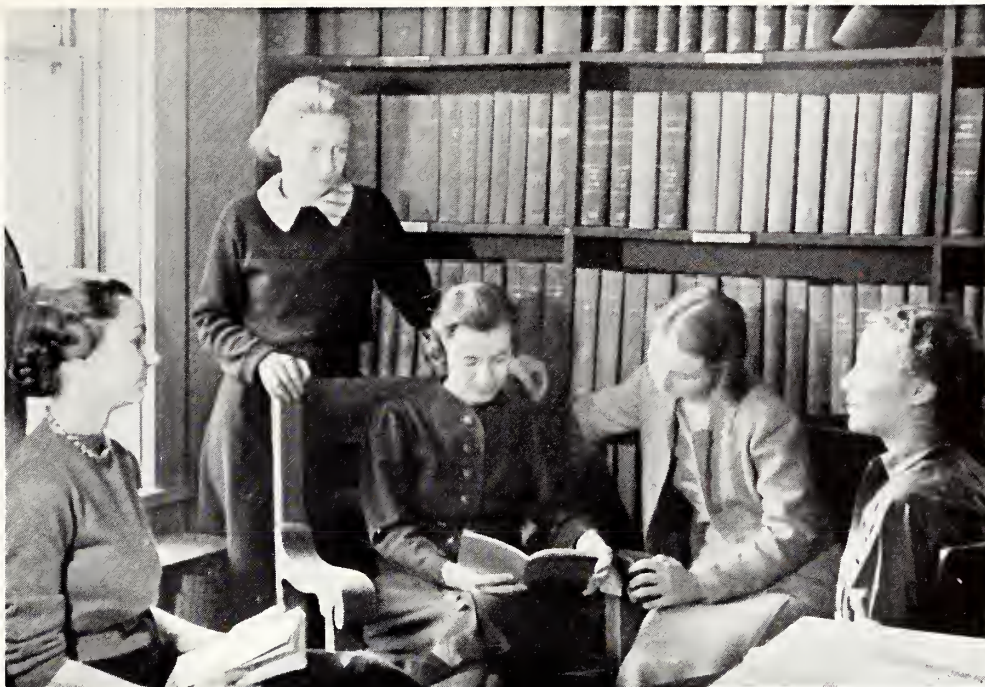
A structure conditioned by those who know that a platform is as strong  
as its weakest plank.

Brush, Cooper, Colletti, Cheek, Johnson, Myers, Drechsler, Bozeman, Cavanaugh, Mutschler,  
Palmer, Cavan, Belknap, Roach, Stewart



College clubs, under student direction, function like party machines. They play an important part in organizing group opinion and influencing its adoption by the governing body.





Roach, Baltzer, Reitzel, Fulton, Cavanaugh

. . . that care has been chosen by us rather than imposed upon us.

## LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CLUB

Pledged to battle in the war on war.

Webster, Baltzer, Yates, Fulton, Brush, Peacock, Blane







Browning, Williams, Carpenter, Kindell, Brigham, Smejkal, Rapp, Smith, Groves

'Art is either a plagiarist or a revolutionist.'

## ART CLUB

## GLEE CLUB

Making the year's program a harmonious one.





Sherwood, Schwab, Golden, Brunswick, Radke, Brown, Neumann, Cave, Greene, Dodaro

Musicians with a common bent: good music.

## ALPHA THETA

## CHOIR

And some to chapel fare  
Not for the doctrine, but the music there.

Hawk, Turpin, Ball, Brandt, Golden, Webster, Savage, Eastham, Blodgett, Sherwood, Greene







Stern, Mackey, Warneke, Robinson, Stites, Williams, Smejkal, Ostlund, Reitzel, Taylor

Shift the mask and change the scene. Today I am a man.

## DRAMATIC CLUB

## FRENCH CLUB

'L'accent est l'âme du discours; il lui donne le sentiment et la vérité.'

Hawk, Belknap, Croftan, Rehfield, Maguire, Parker, Schwab







Ostlund, Drechsler, Wright, Neumann, Jones, Villard, Nicoll, Yates, Duncan, Gildehaus, Penzl

Ist das nicht ein Schnitzelbank?

## GERMAN CLUB

## SPANISH CLUB

'No eram sino molinos de viento, y no lo podia ignorar sino quien llevase otros tantos en la cabenza.'

Littrell, Simon, Russell, Hoskin







Savage, Savage, Fanshier, Braginton, Simon, Thomas, McIntosh, Robinson, Villard,  
Anderson, Turpin, Macgowan

The shades return, and Caesar and Brutus meet face to face.

## CLASSICAL CLUB

### FORUM

'Good words can bravely forth and have no fear.'

Selby, Berry, Peacock, Anderson, Bebensee, Baltzer







Sculley, Doerr, Winchester, Thompson, Ray, Sheldon, Schwab

I move we lay it on the table.

## HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

## WOMEN'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Sound minds, sound bodies, and a crew with no one to race.

Browning, Dudley, Smejkal, Pritchard, Schwab, Warneke, Talcott, Pritchard,  
Ripley, Norton, Crowell, Eastham







Winchester, Peterson, Barrows, Southworth, Robinson, Wright, Warneke,  
Allen, Anderson, Thomas, Rapp, Riche, Webster

Concentrated energy and expanded discovery:

## SCIENCE CLUB

## MATHEMATICS CLUB

An appeal as romantic as poetry and no less abstract than philosophy.

Fedder, Waldschmidt, Wright, Luvisi, Bowen, Norton, Granath, Whiten,  
Deckert, Bratton, Bebensee, Lideen, Stewart, Drechsler





Eastham

Words are superfluous in carrying the motion

DITHYRAMBOS







Propagandists



In national politics propaganda is one of the chief ways of consolidating party strength. In the sense of conscious attempts to influence the minds of others it has played important roles in the exercise of sovereign power. In the college, publications serve to acquaint individuals with the policies determined by the whole group or dictated by administrative officers.



Selby, Colletti, Myers, Warneke

Specialists in mass behavior and public opinion.

## PURPLE PARROT

## CUPOLA

'A mighty maze, but not without a plan.'

Braid, Baltzer, Peacock, Spottswood, Cavanaugh, Penrose, Nott, Dudley, Blake, Brigham, Myers







Myers, Palmer, Dudley

'None but an author knows an author's care.'

## THE ROCKFORD REVIEW

## HANDBOOK

Where doubt does not exist and the law is set in black and white.

Anderson, Riche



# Favorite Sons



While favorite sons in a political party are those individuals intended for candidacy, in the college favorite sons are individuals honored in some particular fashion by their colleagues or superiors. The usual forms of recognition are for scholarship, service, and individual distinction.





Browning, Kindell, Woodbridge, Presler, Peacock, Talcott, Baltzer, Bohan, Bebensee, Rapp, Smith, Selby, Belknap, Corlett,  
Anderson, Fedder, Maguire, Savage, Savage  
Stites, Riche, Peterson, Wiffin, Thomas, Roach, Stewart, Bozeman, Mackey, Villard, Anderson, Wright, Allen

Believing with Socrates that the true lover of learning must desire all truth.

## SOCRATIC SOCIETY

### TASSEL

The mark of distinction; the leaders, the servers, the scholars.

Wright, Drechsler, Mackey, Blane, Hess





LILLIAN DRECHSLER

'She shall be enthusiastic in her loyalties, temperate in conduct, and dignified and gracious in bearing. She shall be widely interested and generously sympathetic, and hence related to the life of every group. She shall have thought constructively for the welfare of the college and have shown both conviction and courage in upholding its ideals.'

MAY QUEEN





SALLY ROACH



JEAN STEWART

### MAY QUEEN ATTENDANTS

ANN  
RIPLEY

MARY LOU  
COOPER

SUSAN  
CARPENTER

VIRGINIA  
CROWELL

ELIZABETH  
WEISSBRENNER







Grass Roots



A wise campaign manager knows the value of the youth of his party, the Grass Roots, who are its future leaders. The Grass Roots of the college are the members of the four classes. It is toward them, in preparation for their coming leadership, that the activities of the college are directed.





Gardner, Lewis, Anderson, Christensen, Martin, Marsh, Norton, Scharbau, Barry, Dow, Maxwell, Bell, Engolf, Avery, Meyer, Belk, Barlach, Fecht, Etter

Bawden, Clodfelter, Blodgett, Jordan, Smith, Capron, Hausse, VanLone, Godfrey, Ball, Blodgett, Canfield, Schaefer, Taylor, Erickson, Brigham, Brandt, O'Guin, McIntosh, Coburn, Brooks, McGowan

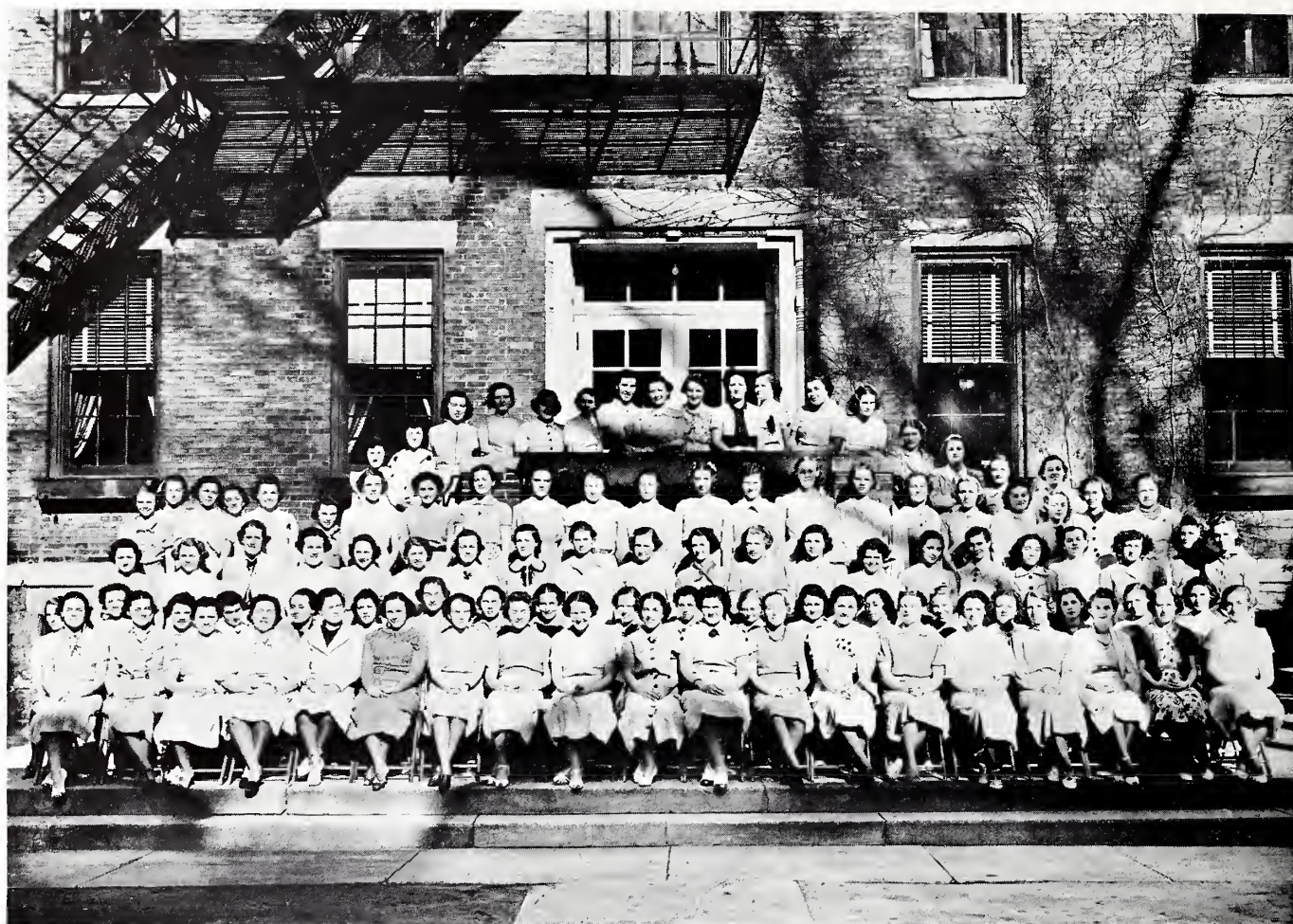
Grimes, Robbins, deBeers, VanShaik, Thomas, Egan, Ebeling, McReynolds, Stephens, Secrist, Hamilton, Fanshier, Dauderman, Epstein, Stern, Mills, Becker, Lanier

Voss, Gray, Johnson, Luker, Riss, Knickerbocker, Powers, Murphy, Irwin, Owen, Lothian, Ward, Heffran, Dodaro, Beatson, Byrne, Beatson, Gildehaus, Crabb, Birr

Russell, Sibley, Newhall, Tarkington, Southwick, Carpenter, Erikson, Pripps, Niethammer, Ripley, Cooper, Miller, Dixon, Turpin, Whiten

## FRESHMEN





Savage, Savage, Presler, Allen, Dodaro, Muller, Johnson, Keith, Spalding, Moore, Sinderson, Frazier, Williams, Parker, Bacon, Vennor, Floberg

Hewitt, Jordan, Uren, Carothers, Friberg, McKay, Page, Ryner, Steinfert, Woodbridge, Wick, Southworth, Neumann, Barrows, Paulson, Anderson, Maguire, Lexa, Radke, Bauer, Johnson, Thompson.

Rapp, Powers, Paulson, Evans, Deckert, Maresh, North, Mann, Nudd, Reihansperger, Fedder, Carstens, Moore, Harris, Kipp, Robinson, Thomas, Cave, Thompson, Wolcott

Belshaw, Smith, Selby, Kollock, Ainsworth, Jones, Browning, Webster, Eastham, Pritchard, Bratton, Lideen, Plous, Simon, Gallup, Harris, Barrie, Bell, Yates

Williams, Rehfield, Corlett, Martin, Belknap, Fecht, Nicoll, Duncan, McCarren, Colletti, Pritchard, Olson, Hawk, Capron, Whiten, Wiig, Peterson, Morse, Smith

## SOPHOMORES

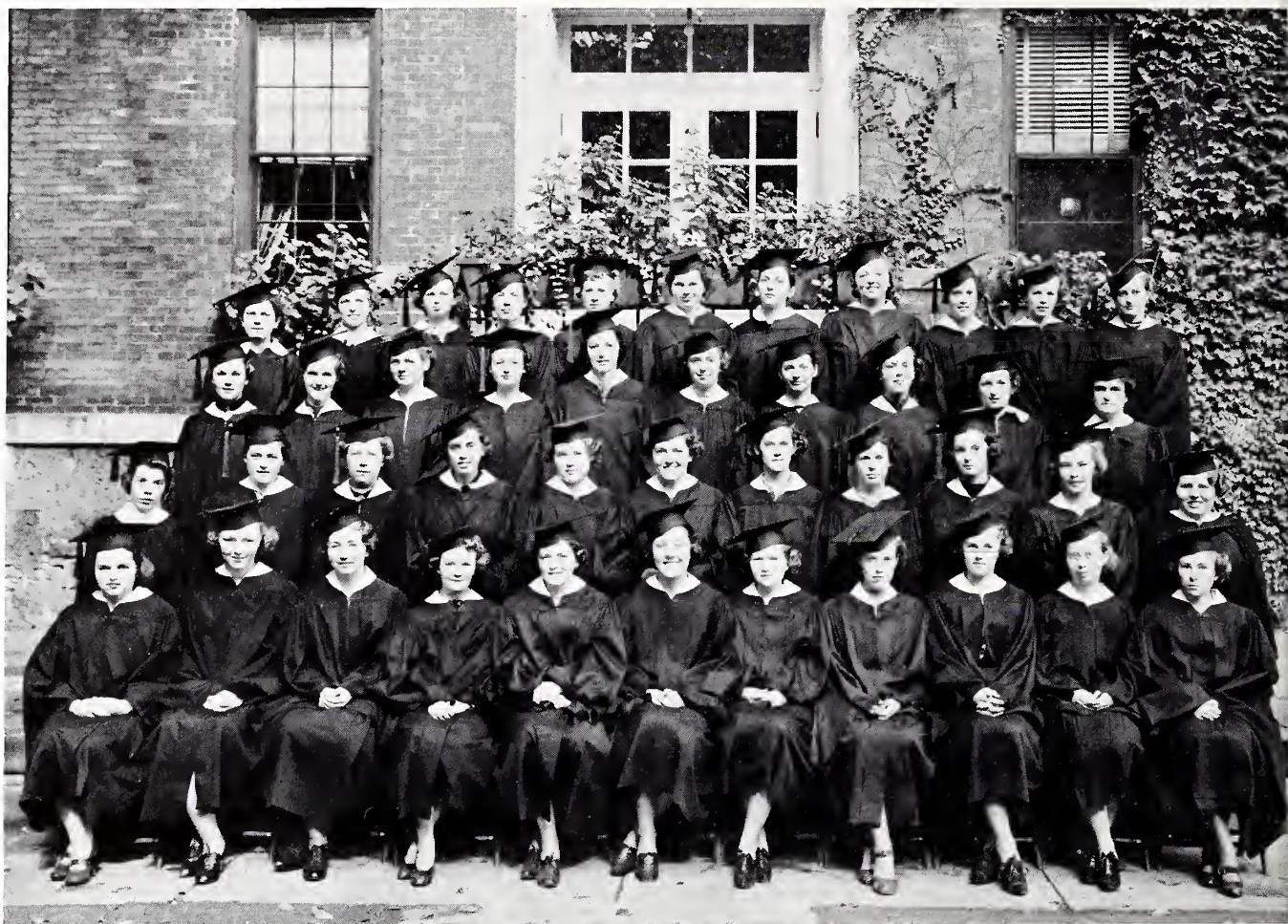




Bourque, Rector, Littrell, Dudley, Carpenter, Warneke, Waldschmidt, Cavan, Dalgety, Verdier, Sherwood  
 Brigham, Johnson, Peterson, Robinson, Roberts, Hoskin, Fulton, Groves, Norton, Spottswood, Talcott  
 Vrana, Haley, Webster, Bebensee, Myers, Baltzer, Blake, Kindell, Kennedy, D'Hooghe, Bowen, Nott  
 Braid, Maloney, Hibbard, Bohan, Crowell, Weissbrenner, Freedlund, Bradford, Peacock, Cavanaugh

## JUNIORS





Ginestra, Luvisi, Doerr, Reitzel, Winchester, Villard, Webster, Greene, Swits, Brunswick, Golden  
 Roach, Bozeman, Smejkal, Blane, Drechsler, Schwab, Cook, Williams, Shelden, Croftan  
 Brown, Hess, Mackey, Riche, Wiffin, Billingham, Ray, Taylor, Wright, Stites, Nelson  
 Starr, Peterson, Thomas, Granath, Sculley, Stewart, Stern, Ostlund, Knapp, Anderson, Elmers

## SENIORS





HARRIET PRIPPS	JEANETTE TARKINGTON	PHYLLIS ERIKSON	BETTY ANN SOUTHWICK	SUSAN CARPENTER
<i>President</i>	<i>Song-Leader</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Vice-President</i> (Not present)

### Freshmen

## CLASS OFFICERS

### Sophomores

<i>President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Song-Leader</i>	<i>Vice-President</i>
LOIS PRITCHARD	THEODORA COLLETTI	BETTY MCCARREN	BETTY HAWK	JEANE OLSON







VIRGINIA CROWELL	BEVERLY HIBBARD	DOLLY BOHAN	ELIZABETH WEISSBRENNER	EDITH FREEDLUND
<i>President</i>	<i>Song-Leader</i>	<i>Vice-President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>

### Juniors

## CLASS OFFICERS

### Seniors

<i>President</i>	<i>Song-Leader</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Vice-President</i>
JEAN STEWART	MABEL OSTLUND	PHYLLIS STERN	HELEN GRANATH	KATHARINE SCULLEY





Leaders of the Grass Roots in the college are the members of the Senior Class. Familiar with its ways and trained to provide the personnel of its governing boards, their part is to exemplify the ideal place of the classes in the college scene.



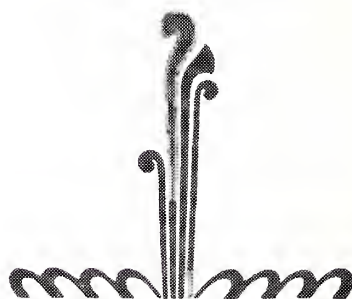
BARBARA CLEAVELAND ALLEN  
*Chemistry*



JEANETTE ANDERSON  
*Speech*



BARBARA RUTH BILLINGHAM  
*History*

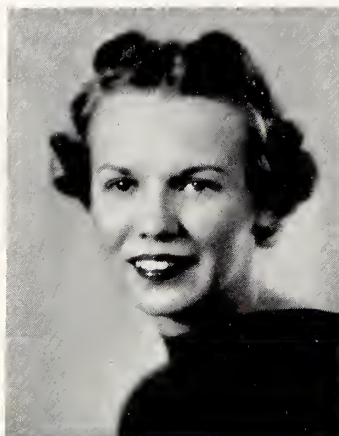


*History*  
BEATRICE BLANE

*Social Science*  
MARY FRANCES BOZEMAN

*Music*  
DOROTHY BROWN





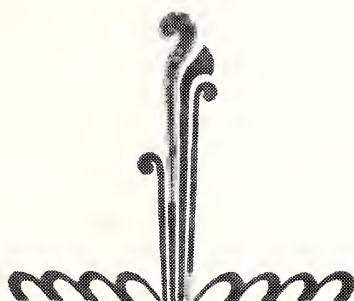
DORIS ARLENE BRUNSWICK  
*Music*



ISABELLE COOK  
*Government-Economics*



ELIZABETH GREER CROFTAN  
*French*



*Home Economics*  
HELEN F. DOERR

*Mathematics*  
LILLIAN DRECHSLER

*French*  
JEAN SHELDON ELMERS



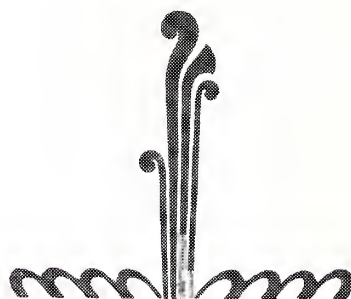




THERECE ROSE GINESTRA  
*French*

ELIZABETH ANNE GOLDEN  
*Music*

HELEN LOUISE GRANATH  
*Mathematics*



*Music*  
DOLORES GREENE

*Sociology*  
ROMEYN HESS

*Art*  
LENORA DOROTHY INMAN





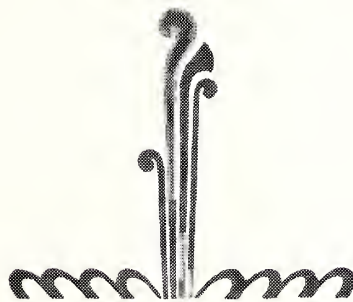
LORRAINE KNAPP  
*Art*



LILETH CATHERINE LUVISI  
*Mathematics*



BETTY MACKEY  
*English*



*Art*  
CONSTANCE MASON

*Home Economics*  
ARLINE MARION NELSON

*Sociology*  
MABEL OSTLUND





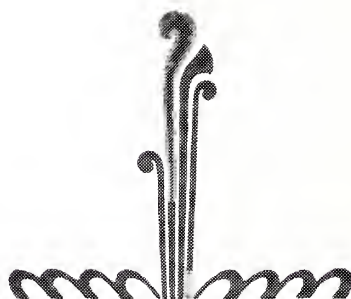
ELIZABETH PETERSON  
*Home Economics*



CAROLYN RAY  
*Home Economics*



MARIAN REITZEL  
*Government*



*Physics-Mathematics*  
ELIZABETH ELLEN RICHE

*Government*  
SALLY ROACH

*Home Economics*  
CAROL ELIZABETH SCHWAB







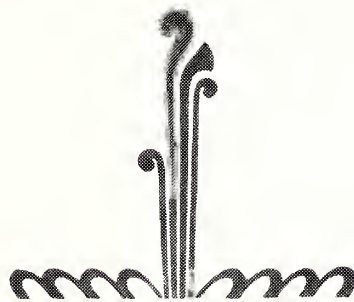
HELEN KATHARINE SCULLEY  
*Home Economics*



ALYCE SHELDEN  
*Home Economics*



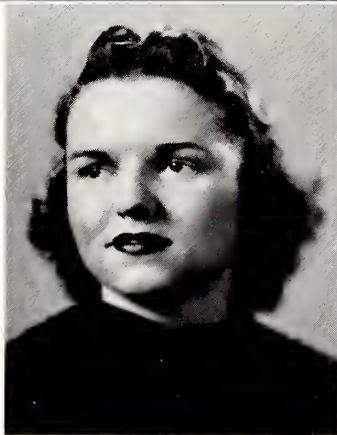
JANE SMEJKAL  
*Art*



*History*  
LOIS NEVINS STARR

*English*  
PHYLLIS MAE STERN

*Mathematics*  
JEAN STEWART





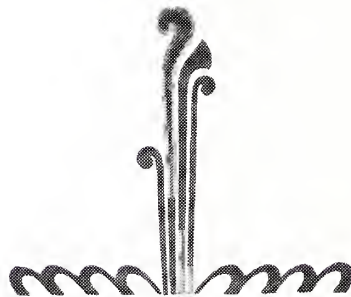
FLORENCE LOUISE STITES  
*Home Economics*



HELEN JANE SWITS  
*Sociology*



BERTHA A. TAYLOR  
*English*



*Botany*  
HELEN MARGARET THOMAS

*Latin-Greek*  
HELENE VILLARD

*Chemistry*  
ANN WEBSTER





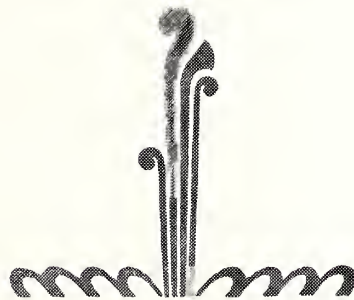
JEANNE WESCOTT  
*English*



LOIS WIFFIN  
*History*



MARGARET WILLIAMS  
*Speech-Drama*



*Home Economics*  
BARBARA JANE WINCHESTER

*Zoology*  
MARTHA WRIGHT







Calendar





Mar. 25. A new C. J. A  
board is installed



Apr. 24. Spring play  
'Twelfth Night'



May 1. Dr. Chalmers

accepts Kenyon Presidency



May 22. May Party





May 28. Crew picnic



June 11. Trustees of R. C.  
of Miss Mary Abby Cheek



announce appointment  
to succeed Dr. Chalmers



June 14.  
Commencement





Sept. 16. Dormitories open

Sept. 20. Classes begin



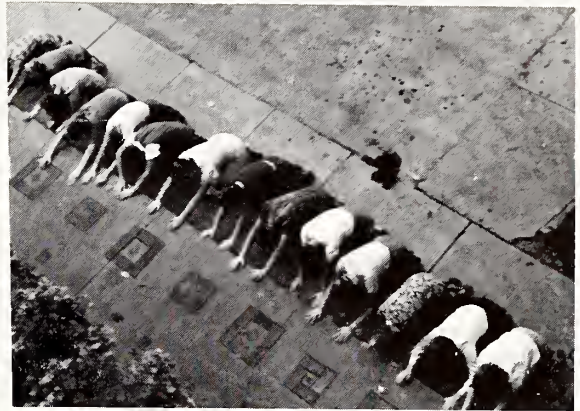
Sept. 25.  
'The Devil's  
Disciples'



Sept. 29. Fire Drill







*Oct. 7. October Day*



*Oct. 12.  
Senior  
Day*







*Oct. 16. Induction of R.C.'s  
tenth president*





Oct. 20. Dithyrambos recital

Oct. 21. Morgan Jones, M.P.



Oct. 27.



Binks Penrose  
wins  
Tournament



Oct. 30.

Hallowe'en party







*Nov. 2. Junior Day*



*Nov. 4. Dr. and Mrs. Chalmers visit R. C.*



*Nov. 4. Japanese Consul  
speaks*



*Nov. 6. North Shore game*





*Nov. 6. R.C. sponsors a Kreutzberg recital*



*Nov. 9. Sophomore Day*

*Nov. 13. Freshman style show*



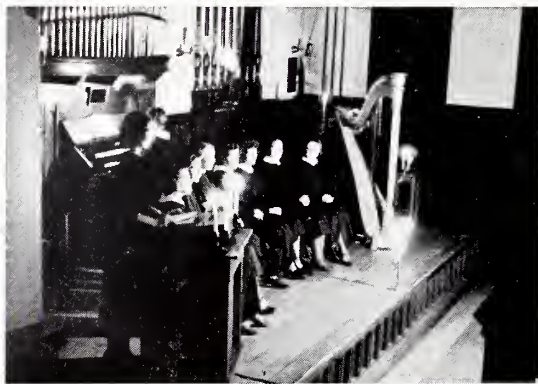




*Nov. 13. The Devils Disciple*



*Nov. 15. Jr.-Sr. Hockey game*



*Nov. 21. Thanksgiving Vespers*



*Nov. 22. Army-Navy game*





Dec. 4. Sophomore play 'Trelawney of the Wells'



Dec. 11. Christmas formal

Dec. 15. Dithyrambos Christmas party 'Little Black Sambo'







*Dec. 17. Maddox House Christmas Tea*



*Dec. 16. Santa Palmer-Claus  
at the German club  
party*



*Jan. 8. Senior Carnival*



*Jan. 22. Freshman play 'Becket'*



Jan. 31. Exams — and a new semester



Feb. 27. Mary C. Woolley  
visits R.C. for Charter Day



Mar. 10. R.C. entertains  
Mrs. William Arthur Maddox

Mar. 10. Forum takes trip to Iowa







March 25 College government elections end. A new Board comes into office.

And  
Day  
by  
Day



we rise



we eat



we study



we go to Maddox



we work



we study more



we talk



we walk



we knit





*we exercise*



*we read*



*we dress*



*we date*



*we go to spreads*



*we go to bed*



*we sleep*

Supporters







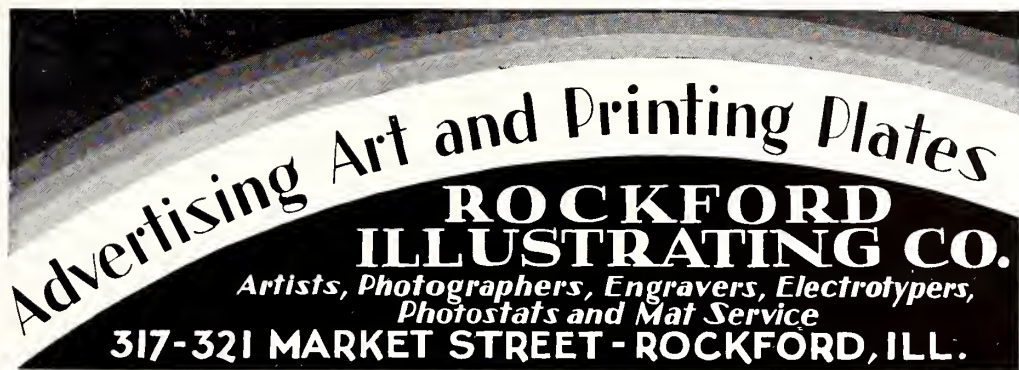
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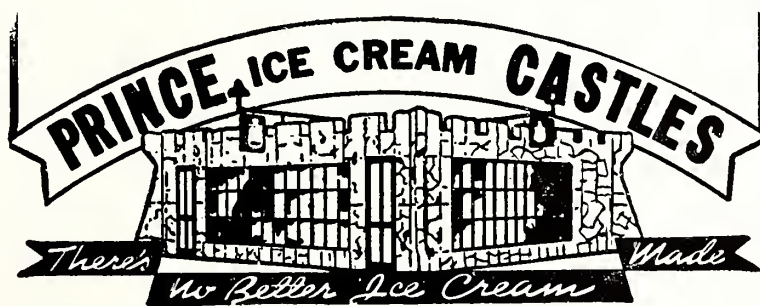
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